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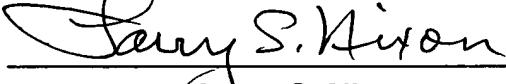
Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version with markings to show changes made.**"

The above amendments are made to place the claims in a more traditional format.

Respectfully submitted,

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3. (Amended) A platform according to claim 1 [or 2], further comprising a resource broker and in which at least some communication between the resource locators is mediated by the resource broker.

5. (Amended) A platform according to claim 3 [or 4], in which the resource broker includes:

 a data interface arranged to receive capability data and interface data from respective resource locators, and
 a registry arranged to store the said capability data and interface data.

6. (Amended) A platform according to [any one of claims 3 to 5] claim 3, in which a resource locator in a subsystem is arranged initially to read capability data and interface data for another subsystem from the resource broker, and subsequently communicates further data directly with the other subsystem using the interface of the subsystem identified in the said interface data.

7. (Amended) A platform according to [any one of claims 3 to 6] claim 3, in which at least one of the subsystems is arranged to communicate directly with a selected other subsystem via a respective specific data interface and in which others of the subsystems are arranged to communicate with a selected other subsystem via an object bus.

9. (Amended) A platform according to claim 7 [or 8], in which the said subsystems arranged to communicate via an object bus are arranged, in response to each new call, to read resource data from the resource broker.

17. (Amended) A method according to [any one of claims 14 to 16] claim 14, in which, for at least one of the multiplicity of subsystems, step (a) is repeated in response to an event in the respective subsystem.

19. (Amended) A method according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1 in which the communication of resource data between subsystems is mediated by a resource broker.